

Virginia

Standards of Learning Assessments

RECORD DESCRIPTION FOR

Student Performance By Question SUMMARY RECORDS

WRITING TEST (Grade 8 and End-of-Course) FALL 2004

NOTE for users of CD-ROM Media: A "Filler.bin" file name will be found on all CD-ROM's containing data less than 8 MEG. This file is needed for iMAC[®] Computer users and may be ignored by all others. The file is blank and is simply used by the iMAC[®] operating system to interpret data correctly.

Changes are indicated by Highlighting.

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STUDENT PERFORMANCE BY QUESTION
SUMMARY DATA FILE DESCRIPTION
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Revision A

Field Position First Last		Field Length	Field Description	Field Acceptable Values
1	2	2	Content Area Record Type – Writing	Numeric (02)
3	4	2	Demographic Record Type	Numeric 01 = State 02 = Division 03 = School
5	13	9	Print After Scan (Batch/Sequence #)	Numeric
14	22	9	Filler	Blank
23	26	4	Select Code	Numeric (0000-9999)
27	32	6	Program Number	Numeric
33	52	20	Division Name	Alpha or Blank
53	55	3	Division Code	Numeric
56	75	20	Building Name	Alpha or Blank
76	79	4	Building Code	Numeric
80	85	6	Test Date	Numeric
80	81	2	Time of Year	(01 = Fall, 02 = Spring, 03 = Summer)
82	83	2	Century	(20)
84	85	2	Year	(00 – Maximum)
86	87	2	Grade	Numeric (bK – 12, TT - EOC Only)
88	89	2	Level	Numeric (08 or 11 for End of Course)
90	92	3	Form	Numeric (999 = Mixed)
93	121	29	Internal Use	Alpha, Numeric, or Blank
122	139	18	Filler	Blank
140	1139	20 x 50	Item Descriptor Code/Item Response	Numeric Each 20 byte array will have the following components in this order: 4-digit Item Descriptor Code 3-digit Percentage 6-digit Number Tested 6-digit for Number Correct 1-byte of filler. (XXXX,XXX,XXXXXX,XXXXXX,) (Commas Implied) The Item Descriptors and associated Item Descriptor Codes can be found on the Item Descriptor CD-Rom which accompanies the Data File. See Table 1 for the Positions of the Content Areas in the Item Response areas.
1140	1198	59	Filler	Blank
1199	1199	1	Core	Numeric
1200	1200	1	End of Record	Alpha (Z)

TABLE 1
Positions of the Item Descriptors in the Item Descriptor Area

Grade 8

Test Number	Reporting Category #	Test Names Reporting Category Names	Primary/Alternate	
			Starting Position	Ending Position
002		English: Writing	296	395
	003	Plan, compose, and revise in a variety of forms for a variety of purposes	296	345
	004	Edit for correct use of language, capitalization, punctuation, and spelling	346	395
		Blank	396	545

End-of-Course

Test Number	Reporting Category #	Test Names Reporting Category Names	Primary/Alternate	
			Starting Position	Ending Position
002		English: Writing	296	445
	001	Plan, compose, and revise in a variety of forms for a variety of purposes	296	375
	002	Edit for correct use of language, capitalization, punctuation, and spelling	376	445
		Blank	446	545